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Feb. 7, 1922.

Mr. I. M. Johnston,

Dear Sir, I have been much interested in your contribution to the Bull. Torrey Club, especially the part concerning Pentstemon Stephensi. I am sending a short note to the Bull. Torrey Club stating my ideas concerning it. The color of flowers of P. Stephensi is the same as that common to the purple flowered penstemons and is correctly stated in the original description. You state that both species have flowers of the same color is incorrect. You should recognize the absurdity of reducing a purple flowered penstemon to a scarlet flowered on. If the plants you collected and named P. Stephensi had scarlet flowers they were incorrectly determined.

Yours truly,

(Signed) T. S. Brandegee.